AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1.   (Currently Amended) In a computer server connected to a plurality of electronic devices via a wireless communication link, a method of commanding said electronic devices to gather geographically distributed data comprising:

(A) selecting an ~~said~~ electronic device;

generating a command to said electronic device to identify at least one data category that said electronic device is capable of monitoring;

(B) commanding said selected electronic device to capture geographically distributed data related to said data category and wherein said geographically distributed data is automatically captured by said selected electronic device in response to said commanding;

(C) receiving said automatically captured geographically distributed data; and

(D) storing said received geographically distributed data;

2.   (Currently Amended) The method as described in Claim 1, further comprising:

(E) verifying the identity of selected electronic device.

3.   (Currently Amended) The method as described in Claim 1, further comprising :

(F) crediting value to an account corresponding to <u>said</u> selected electronic device.

4.   (Currently Amended) The method as described in Claim 1, further comprising:

(G) requesting current location of said selected electronic device;

(H) receiving said requested current location from said selected electronic device;

(I) skipping further communication with said selected electronic device if said received current location is not within a predetermined geographic area.

5.   (Currently Amended) In an electronic device connected to a wireless communication link, a method of collecting geographically distributed data comprising:

<u>receiving a command to identify at least one data category that said electronic device is capable of monitoring;</u>

(A) receiving a command to capture said geographically distributed data <u>and wherein said geographically distributed data is related to said data category</u>;

(B) automatically capturing said geographically distributed data; and

(C) transmitting said automatically captured geographically distributed data;

6.   (Currently Amended) The method as described in Claim 5, further

comprising:

     (D)—sending a verifiable identity of said electronic device.

7.   (Previously Amended) The method as described in Claim 5 wherein said

transmitted geographically distributed data is encrypted.

8-23.   (Cancelled)

24.   (Currently Amended) In a portable electronic device connected to a wireless

communication link, said portable electronic device corresponding to a user, a

method for said portable electronic device to supply geographically distributed data

comprising:

     (A)—receiving a command from said user to automatically capture data;

     (B)—automatically capturing said data;

     (C)—transmitting said automatically captured data and wherein said

     automatically captured data comprises location data of said portable

     electronic device; and

     (D)—sending a verifiable identity of said portable electronic device.

25.   (Previously Amended) The method as described in Claim 24 wherein said

electronic device is a hand held computer system.

26. (Previously Amended) The method as described in Claim 24 wherein said portable electronic device is a wireless telephone.

27. (Previously Amended) The method as described in Claim 24 wherein said transmitted data is encrypted.

28. (Currently Amended) In a portable electronic device connected to a wireless communication link, said portable electronic device corresponding to a user, a method for said portable electronic device to gather geographically distributed data comprising:

(A) receiving a command from said user to enable said gathering of data automatically <u>and wherein said data comprises location data of said portable electronic device</u>;

(B) if said enabling is done, determining a plurality of times to start automatically capturing data;

(C) if said enabling is done, automatically capturing said data at each said start time, said automatically capturing being done without intervention from the user;

(D) if said enabling is done, automatically transmitting said captured data; and

(E) is said enabling is done, sending a verifiable identity of said portable

electronic device.

29.   (Previously Amended) The method as described in Claim 28 wherein said

portable electronic device is a hand held computer system.

30.   (Previously Amended) The method as described in Claim 28 wherein said

portable electronic device is a wireless telephone.

31.   (Cancelled)

32.   (Previously Presented) The method as described in Claim 5 further

comprising:

       receiving a command to identify at least one data category that said electronic

device is capable of monitoring.

33.   (New) The method as recited in Claim 1 further comprising:

       skipping said electronic device if said electronic device cannot capture data

related to said data category.